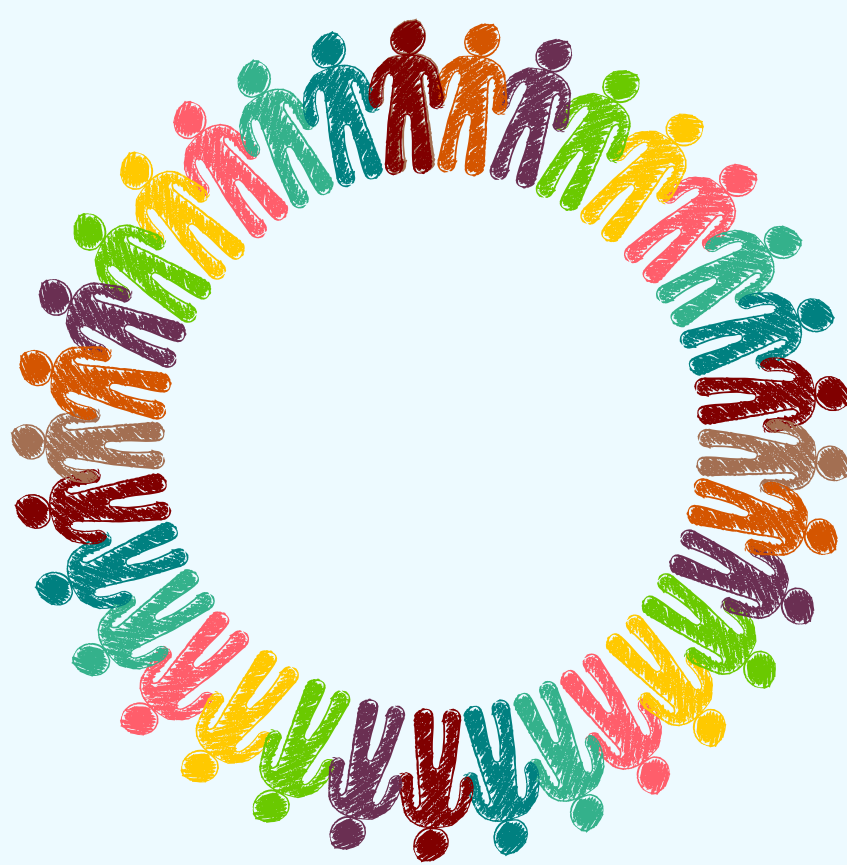


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## Concept Note

Vulnerability Studies is a multidisciplinary field of research that examines the complex interplay between individuals, communities, and systems in the face of various risks and challenges. This area of study delves into the conditions, processes, and consequences of vulnerability, aiming to understand and address the underlying factors that contribute to the exposure and susceptibility of individuals and groups to harm or disadvantage.

Scholars engaging in Vulnerability Studies draw from diverse disciplines such as sociology, psychology, geography, economics, and public health to investigate a wide range of contexts, including social inequalities, environmental degradation, economic crises, political conflicts, and public health emergencies.

At its core, Vulnerability Studies seeks to illuminate the mechanisms that generate and perpetuate vulnerability, as well as the strategies that can enhance resilience and mitigate adverse outcomes. Moreover, Vulnerability Studies acknowledges that vulnerability is a dynamic and context-specific phenomenon. Vulnerability Studies provides a crucial lens through which scholars and practitioners can comprehend the intricate dynamics of vulnerability and resilience.

Vulnerability Studies has increasingly found its place within the realm of literature and films, providing a rich and thought-provoking scope for research and exploration. The scope of research in literature and films within Vulnerability Studies is broad and diverse.

By delving into the realms of literature and films, Vulnerability Studies expands their horizons, bridging the gap between academia and the creative arts. This interdisciplinary approach enables researchers to gain deeper insights into the complexities of vulnerability, enriching our understanding of the human experience and contributing to broader conversations on social justice, empathy, and resilience.

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## **Thrust Areas**

Gender and Vulnerability  
Social Marginalization and Vulnerability  
Trauma and Resilience  
Mental Health and Vulnerability  
Political Oppression and Vulnerability  
Aging and Vulnerability  
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Power and Vulnerability  
Empathy and Vulnerability  
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